







# THE COMETA.

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Several Engagements Between the Troops and Insurgents.

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HAVANA, Jan. 25.—The marine authorities here ignore the comet and it is impossible to learn from them what any truth there is in the report that the little gunboat has been destroyed by insurgents. The military authorities profess to know nothing of the matter, and in this case their professions are believed to be true, for in view of the antagonism between the naval and military authorities it is considered that the report of the destruction of the comet is in possession of facts detrimental to the navy, they would not hesitate to make them known to the public. It is learned, however, that the reports that have already reached the United States about the loss of the gunboat are probably correct.

The official reports issued Sunday give the details of the capture of the comet. The report states that the comet was captured by the troops of the province of Santa Clara, Havana, Matanzas and Pinar del Rio. According to these reports the troops were uniformly victorious the rebel losses in the various engagements are placed at a total of a large number wounded and two captured. The insurgent camps, prefectures and 100 huts were destroyed. Many families who had taken refuge in the woods were found by the troops and taken into the towns. The Standard says that the losses were four killed and a lieutenant colonel, three captains, three lieutenants and 41 private men or clerks severely wounded.

Notwithstanding the recent announcement of the capture of the comet, the official reports state that the greater number of engagements referred to took place in that province, which is pretty good evidence that the rebels are still conducting their operations.

The most important of the several fights took place near Cayo, province of Havana, where the troops met the rebel parties led by Castillo and Delgado.

HANGED TO A TREE.

The Jail Doors Battered Down and a Negro Taken Out by a Mob and Lynched.

TALLAHASSEE, Fla., Jan. 25.—On a Sunday evening, the 10th inst., Miss Emma Athorppe, daughter of the late Wm. Athorppe, at this time governor of Florida, and also president of the famous returning board that gave the electoral vote of Florida to Mr. Hayes, was attacked by a mob of driving to her home in the suburbs of this city by a Negro known as Person Taylor, who tore her clothes violently off. Before he could injure her further her screams brought help and the assailant escaped. Person Taylor was arrested and committed to jail. There were threats of lynching, but nothing was done. The sheriff had begun to do anything was safe from trouble of that kind. At two o'clock Sunday morning a small mob gathered in front of the jail and on being refused admittance, broke down the doors, dragged the man out and hanged him to a tree. He died by bullet wounds before he died from strangulation. A coroner's jury examined the body and returned a verdict of death from hanging and shooting at the hands of unknown parties.

Editor McCullough's Successor.

ST. LOUIS, Jan. 25.—A meeting of the directors of the Globe Printing Co., Capt. Henry King, president, and the directors of the Globe-Democrat, succeeded the late Joseph R. McCullough, for 14 years past King has been an editorial writer on the paper. His paper was done in Quincy, Ill. He went from Quincy to Topeka, Kan., as editor of the Commercial Appeal. In 1883 was engaged by the Globe-Democrat. Capt. King was born in Ohio 54 years ago. He states that he was a member of a United Association Presser request that no changes in the policy of the paper were contemplated.

New York, Jan. 25.—Henry Barnard and his wife Charlotte, living at No. 33 West Forty-fourth street, were arrested Saturday night by several agents as counterfeiters. When they were arraigned before Commissioner Childs the agents said they found a complete coinage plant in their rooms and about 100 dangerous counterfeiters—10, 25 and 50 pieces. The prisoners pleaded not guilty and were remanded to Ludlow street jail, in default of \$5,000 bail, for examination Monday.

The Coldest Day of the Season.

GRAND RAPIDS, Mich., Jan. 25.—The mercury Sunday night fell to below zero and is still falling. Sunday was the coldest day of the year and the river is frozen over for the first time in a decade. An ice gorge was formed below the city, causing a perceptible rise, but there is no immediate danger at the river going out of its banks. The breaking of the gorge at Portland Saturday by dynamite was the cause.

Death of a Remarkable Woman.

CHICAGO, Jan. 25.—Mrs. Eliza Carson, a most remarkable woman, died Friday night at Anamosa, Ia. Mrs. Carson had crossed the ocean 300 times and possessed the reputation of never having missed a trip to the Louisiana since that splendid vessel was launched.

Revenue Cutter Launched.

BOSTON, Jan. 25.—The new revenue cutter Daniel Manning was launched from the yard of the Boston Navy Yard at about 2:40 o'clock Saturday afternoon. The launching was a complete success.

# COLD WEATHER.

Fury Depress Below Zero at St. Clair.

ST. PAUL, Minn., Jan. 25.—Sunday night's reports from every part of the northwest indicated that Saturday night was the coldest night in two winters. St. Paul, about the warmest point in this whole section, registered below. The mercury fell to 25 below at 30 below at St. Cloud; 35 below at Aitkin and 40 below at St. Cloud. There are no reports as yet of people freezing to death, though suffering in the country must have been very great. The St. Paul relief society has been busy all day furnishing coal and other supplies to the needy. At 8 o'clock the thermometer registered 25 below. Indications point to a further drop in the temperature of at least ten degrees Sunday night. Railway traffic is everywhere, retarded, either because of drifts or inability to keep up steam. Around Aberdeen, Huron, Mills and Wilmet, S. D., no effort has been made for two days past to clear the tracks, owing to very high winds, and the cuts are now full to the brim.

A Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul passenger train is stuck in a drift near St. Paul. The train has been in the train to keep the passengers comfortable. Another train, containing \$20,000 of the money of South Dakota, is stuck in a drift near St. Paul. Reports from points along the Missouri river indicate that there will be heavy mortality among cattle and sheep in that section. It is clear in central and eastern Minnesota and the wind has subsided.

LYMAN J. GAGE.

The Treasury Portfolio Will Likely Be Tendered Him This Week.

CANTON, O., Jan. 25.—Lyman J. Gage, secretary of the treasury, discussed here Sunday and he may now be fairly considered a strong cabinet probability. It is likely that the treasury portfolio will be tendered him this week. The doubts about Mr. Gage's political faith and economic creeds have been removed in the last twenty-four hours by the visit of Alexander Revel, of Chicago, to Canton. It is a surprise that the cabinet appointment is being more seriously considered than ever.

There is an impression that the cabinet will be practically completed with in two or at least three weeks, with the possible exception of one place. The secretary of state, of course, decided upon and the secretary of the treasury will be as definitely determined as to the secretary of war, of the navy, of agriculture, of justice and the post office department. It is changed a good deal. Alger's appointment to the cabinet is not regarded as certain, but the belief that he will be in it is strong. His position is strengthened by the knowledge that ex-Governor Merriam of Minnesota has been dropped from the list of those who are being seriously considered.

HIS LEFT FOOT.

Fits the Tracks in the Snow—Excitement.

FRENCH LICK, Ind., Jan. 25.—Samuel Kirby and wife, the victims of Friday night's tragedy, are here Sunday. The hopes are entertained for their recovery. Sheriff Jones is on the ground, but so far has made no arrests. The Illinois bloodhounds followed the trail to Hillman, where they left the road and went straight to the residence of the farmer where they stopped and refused to go further.

The farmer came to the door and was asked to let the body out. This shoe was identical with footprints seen in the snow near the house and in the branch along the trail. Kirby was arrested Sunday, and the excitement is still intense. The Seymour bloodhounds arrived here Sunday morning, but failed to reveal anything new. It is more than probable that the body was buried in the snow. It is more than probable that the body was buried in the snow. It is more than probable that the body was buried in the snow.

National Women Suffrage Association.

ST. LOUIS, Jan. 25.—The American steamship Laurada, Capt. Hughes, which has been charged by the Spanish agents and reported to have been in the country with having successfully landed a number of filibustering expeditions within the Mexican limits, at Hampton Roads, Va., on Sunday morning, with a cargo of oranges and lemons, from Palermo and Messina, consigned to this city.

Earthquake Victim.

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# MR. ECKELS.

Makes a Request of the Governors of the Different States.

He Asks for Uniformity in Collecting Banking Statistics.

For Use in His Annual Reports—The Secretary of the Treasury Recommends an Increase of Silver Certificates of Small Denominations.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 25.—The secretary of the treasury has informed the senate that unless immediate steps are taken to increase the daily delivery of silver certificates of small denominations by the bureau of engraving and printing the stock of such certificates in the treasury will be so depleted as to prevent the redemption of the denominations usually called for by the banks. He recommends an appropriation of \$500,000 for increasing the force to keep up with the demands.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 25.—James H. Eckels, comptroller of the currency, has sent a letter to the governors of the states requesting them to recommend legislation to secure uniformity in the collection of banking statistics for use in the annual report of the comptroller. He asks that the uniformity in time and manner of reporting may be secured. Comptroller Eckels has suggested in his letter to the governors that the attention of state legislatures be called to the subject and that each legislative body be requested to enact such legislation as will result in the submission to a designated public official of the state, reports of condition of all banks, banking institutions and private banks doing business in the state at the same time, and to require that the reports be required to make their reports to the controller of the currency.

Calls on the Attorney General for Information.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 25.—Mr. Allen (pug, Neb.) offered a resolution which was agreed to without objection, calling on the attorney general to inform the senate whether he had entered into any agreement or stipulation with the reorganization committee of the Union Pacific railroad respecting the foreclosure of the mortgage lien thereon and the amount to be bid in the event of the foreclosure of the lien, also to send to the senate the full text of the agreement or stipulation, together with the names of the parties thereto, and of the persons comprising the reorganization committee as well as the written authority he may have for beginning such foreclosure proceedings or entering into any such agreement or stipulation.

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Not Likely That He Will Be Selected for Secretary of the Treasury.

CANTON, O., Jan. 25.—May McKinley has a house full of callers Saturday. Senator-elect Fairbanks, of Indiana, and National Committeeman W. D. Burleigh, of Washington, and Penna. Nixon, of Chicago, arrived Saturday morning. In reference to the rumor connecting the name of Illinois with the treasury portfolio, Mr. Nixon said:

"Mr. Gage was asked whether he thought the treasury portfolio would be offered him. No tender of a cabinet position has been made. It was said on good authority Saturday that it is not at all likely that Mr. Gage will be selected for secretary of the treasury though he has been under consideration for some time. J. H. Brigham, of Ohio, who is a candidate for the position of secretary of agriculture, called on Mr. McKinley Saturday and had an extended interview with him. Mr. Brigham is supposed to be a member of the McKinley organization throughout the country."

Fatal Boiler Explosion at Sea.

ST. LOUIS, Jan. 25.—The French Collier-Madeleine arrived Saturday night from Calais. One of her boilers exploded soon after the steamer left Calais, killing five men and injuring several. The Collier was carrying a cargo of coal. After leaving Acadia Chief Engineer Obe had a quarrel with Chief Officer Diamond over some letters the latter had received from Mrs. Obe, and the engineer shot and severely wounded Diamond and also cut him with a knife. The Madeleine returned to Acadia, where Obe is left in the hands of the Mexican authorities and Diamond in a hospital.

Heavy Snow Storms in Great Britain.

LONDON, Jan. 25.—Heavy snow storms are prevailing throughout Great Britain and Scotland and snow is deep. The snow covers the ground to an average depth of two feet. There has been a heavy fall of snow in Scotland and northern England as a result of the storm and the severity of the temperature.

Bryan Gives a Name to \$100.

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# CONDENSED NEWS.

Gathered From All Parts of the Country by Telegraph.

Will E. Flaherty, a wealthy real estate agent of San Francisco, is mysteriously missing.

A bill to abolish the pillory and whipping post has been introduced in the Delaware legislature.

The legal battle over the Woolson Spies Co. has begun at Toledo, O. The argument for a receiver will occupy several days.

It is said that State Senator Silas J. Williams, of Alliance, O., is in Cuba on a trip of investigation at the instance of President-elect McKinley.

The Michigan prohibition convention has resolved to oppose fusion with the national prohibitionists. The platform reiterates the utterances at Pittsburgh.

The cold wave which reached Des Moines, Ia., Saturday night, continues, the thermometer Sunday night registering 18 degrees below zero. All trains are delayed, but not seriously.

The new Chinese minister to England, Lo Feng Lo, is to arrive in London in June. He brings some magnificent presents to the Queen, at whose diamond jubilee fete he is to figure.

The circuit court of Lauderdale county, Mississippi, found Wallace Smith guilty of murder and sentenced him to be hanged by the neck next. Two months later Smith murdered Col. Thomas Johnson, an old citizen.

The report that Prince Frederick of Russia will represent the emperor at the jubilee which will be held in London next June, in celebration of the completion of the 60th year of the reign of Queen Victoria, is officially denied. It is positively asserted that the kaiser adheres to his intention to go to himself.

A special cable dispatch to the Herald from Constantinople says: Frequent meetings of the committee of ministers are being held at the Vildiz palace. The deliberations of the council concern the completion of the railway in general. Results which will equally satisfy Europe and all Ottoman subjects may be expected shortly.

The cold wave which reached Chicago Saturday night tightened its grip Sunday and at midnight Chicago was shivering in a sixteen below zero atmosphere. At six o'clock the thermometer registered 14 below. The cold wave is expected to continue.

Fourteen of the sixteen members of congress composing the committee on rivers and harbors, many of them accompanied by their wives and other members of their families, left Washington Sunday morning at 11:15 o'clock over the Southern railway for New Orleans. Mobile is expected to be reached at 11:15 o'clock.

The Greenlee Brothers' & Co.'s workday machinery plant, Northwestern State Repair Co.'s factory, Greenlee Brothers, owners, at 225 to 230 West Twelfth street, Chicago, was entirely destroyed by fire Sunday night. David B. Carse, general manager of the two concerns, estimated the loss at \$100,000. The plants were only partially insured.

Sunday was the coldest day Nebraska has experienced in years. At Wray points the mercury registered 21 degrees below zero, and the warmest record was for Lincoln, where it was 18 below. The Missouri river is frozen over, and the ice men, who had been working a crop, began cutting Spanish gunboat captured and burned.

KEY WEST, Fla., Jan. 25.—According to advices received here the Spanish gunboat Cometa has been captured and burned by the patriots. The Cometa was a small Spanish vessel, was built in the small Spanish vessels, has been cruising near Cardenas to prevent the landing of filibustering expeditions.

Forecast for Monday.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 25.—Ohio—Indiana—Winter storms, continued cold weather with northerly to westerly winds. Generally fair and cold northerly winds.

# THE MARKETS.

CINCINNATI, Jan. 25.

WHEAT—No. 1 red, 90c; No. 2, 88c; No. 3, 86c; No. 4, 84c; No. 5, 82c; No. 6, 80c; No. 7, 78c; No. 8, 76c; No. 9, 74c; No. 10, 72c; No. 11, 70c; No. 12, 68c; No. 13, 66c; No. 14, 64c; No. 15, 62c; No. 16, 60c; No. 17, 58c; No. 18, 56c; No. 19, 54c; No. 20, 52c; No. 21, 50c; No. 22, 48c; No. 23, 46c; No. 24, 44c; No. 25, 42c; No. 26, 40c; No. 27, 38c; No. 28, 36c; No. 29, 34c; No. 30, 32c; No. 31, 30c; No. 32, 28c; No. 33, 26c; No. 34, 24c; No. 35, 22c; No. 36, 20c; No. 37, 18c; No. 38, 16c; No. 39, 14c; No. 40, 12c; No. 41, 10c; No. 42, 8c; No. 43, 6c; No. 44, 4c; No. 45, 2c; No. 46, 1c; No. 47, 1/2c; No. 48, 1/4c; No. 49, 1/8c; No. 50, 1/16c; No. 51, 1/32c; No. 52, 1/64c; No. 53, 1/128c; No. 54, 1/256c; No. 55, 1/512c; No. 56, 1/1024c; No. 57, 1/2048c; No. 58, 1/4096c; No. 59, 1/8192c; No. 60, 1/16384c; No. 61, 1/32768c; No. 62, 1/65536c; No. 63, 1/131072c; No. 64, 1/262144c; No. 65, 1/524288c; No. 66, 1/1048576c; No. 67, 1/2097152c; No. 68, 1/4194304c; No. 69, 1/8388608c; No. 70, 1/16777216c; 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